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Ohio County's Adult Program Attendance Growing

A growing number of Wheeling citizens are enjoying a literary lunch break. Lunch With Books, the flagship adult program at the Ohio County Public Library in Wheeling, has enjoyed a thirty percent growth in average attendance over the past year. This growth occurred even as the number of programs offered was increased by seventy percent to make Lunch With Books a weekly event. On most Tuesdays at noon, patrons are invited to bring their own lunch and listen to authors talk about



new books, watch living historians portray significant characters in West Virginia or U.S. history, or enjoy the work of musicians, storytellers, and a variety of other performers and speakers. The program reflects the OCPL's serious dedication to and active pursuit

of its role as a community center and cultural resource in the Ohio Valley's northern panhandle.

A core group of loyal patrons, many of them retired citizens, attend nearly every event, while the sheer variety of programs offered helps draw in new people on a regular basis.

Some of the best attended programs of the past year have included appearances by graphic novel guru Scott McCloud, illusionist and mentalist Craig Karges, naturalist Scott Shalaway, West Virginia authors Chuck Kinder and Robert Tinnell, documentary filmmaker Sasha Waters, theologian Dr. Scott Hahn, USS Indianapolis survivor Paul McGinnis, the Cabin Fever String

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Time to renew



The Benefits of Membership

- West Virginia Libraries: this official publication of the association is published six times a year. A subscription is free with your membership.
- Opportunities for professional growth: WVLA holds two conferences each year: the Spring Fling and the Annual Conference. Additionally, the association or one of its divisions may hold workshops or events at other times of the year. Members receive discounts to all association events.

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A Message from the President

Dear WVLA Members,

Greetings, and welcome to 2008! As your new president, I view the opportunity to work with WVLA's wonderful members as a great learning experience to become advocates for libraries in West Virginia to promote the theme "Spread the Word."

"Spread the Word" echoes the American Library Association's ongoing and very popular "@ Your Library" campaign, designed to showcase the value of all libraries in the 21st century. The major objective of "Spread the Word" and "@ Your Library" is to "increase awareness and support for libraries" by:

- Increasing libraries' visibility in a positive context and
- Communicating why libraries are both unique and valuable.

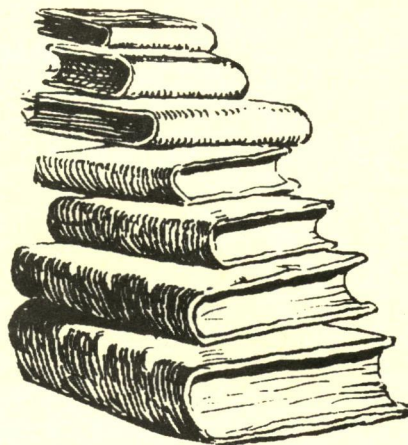
To accomplish these goals, all WVLA members must become active advocates for libraries in West Virginia. Legislative Day in Charleston is Thursday, January 17th. Please plan to attend. If you are unable to attend, you can still help to "Spread the Word" by telling your state legislators what your libraries are already doing for the citizens of West Virginia—providing quality information, community and child-centered programming, and safeguarding and protecting local and regional culture for future generations. You can also suggest what resources West Virginia libraries will need to continue serving West Virginians for the coming year and beyond.

Spread the Word! After all, it is only through active advocacy and participation in events like Legislative Day that our representatives in Charleston will become aware of the West Virginia library community's needs and achievements.

- Barbara LaGodna

Jo Ann Flynn is Craigsville Public Library's New Director

I was born in Oak Hill, WV and have lived in this great state my entire life. My husband passed away at a very early age and I found myself raising our two children alone. There were difficult times when I was working two jobs and going to school but my extended family helped out. Now my children are grown and married and I find myself moving back home to take care of my Father after my Mother's death in Aug. 07. I have worked for the state of WV for the past six years in different classifications that required a lot of traveling throughout the state. Before that I worked in the medical field as an LPN in area hospitals and clinics. While



I attended Glenville State College, I managed a Cable Television Company in the Craigsville area. Working here at the Craigsville Public Library has been wonderful for me. I have really enjoyed the people and getting

reacquainted with the community that I grew up in. My goals for this job include using my life experiences and education to help others become more informed. The Library is the "key" that unlocks a world of knowledge to those brave enough to open the door. I want to be a part of this adventure in their lives and make the encounter enjoyable for everyone. I visualize the local Library as the nucleus of the community, with everyone extracting something that will benefit or bring pleasure to them for its core. I look forward to meeting everyone and discussing ways to improve our libraries and gain more support for what we are trying to do.

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The Libraries of Marshall University Held

A retirement reception

In honor of Pamela Ford, Catalog Librarian,

For her 33 years of faithful service to

The Libraries, the University, and the Profession.

On Tuesday, 15 January 2008, 3-4:30 p.m.

Look for more information on this event in the next WV Libraries.

Attendance

From the Front Page

Band, and FDR biographer Dr. Jean Edward Smith.

In keeping with the program's mission, the upcoming Lunch With Books schedule promises a continuing variety of interesting guests:

January 8—West Virginia Author John Billheimer, Stonewall Jackson's Elbow

January 15—A portrayal of Victoria Woodhull by Betty Leavengood sponsored by the West Virginia Humanities Council's History Alive Program

January 22—A Book Review of Michael Owens and the Glass Industry by historian Margaret Brennan

January 29—Playwright Sean O'Leary, Valu-Mart

February 5—A portrayal of Booker T. Washington by Joseph Bundy sponsored by the West Virginia Humanities

Council's History Alive Program

February 19—West Virginia Author Mark Brazaitis, An American Affair

February 26—West Virginia Author Gretchen M. Laskas, The Midwife's Tale

March 4—West Virginia Author Meredith Sue Willis, Oradell at Sea

March 11—A portrayal of Susan B. Anthony by Patty Cooper in celebration of National Women's History Month

March 25—A Women's History Month Panel Discussion of the experiences of Women Clergy, featuring Rev. Gail Bauzenberger of Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Rabbi Beth Jacowitz Chottiner of Temple Shalom, and Rev. Maggie Sebastian of the First Christian Church

April 1—West Virginia Author Kevin Stewart, The Way Things Always

Happen Here

April 8—Ebay Day at the Library, sponsored by the United States Postal Service

April 22—Classical Guitarist Kevin Hubbard

April 26 (Saturday)— Author Jeff Wamsley, Mothman: Behind the Red Eyes

May 20—Pittsburgh Author Tom Lipinski, Death in the Steel City

New programs are added on a regular basis. Please visit <http://ocplprogramming.blogspot.com> for updates. Lunch With Books programs are held in the Ohio County Public Library's auditorium. The programs are free and open to the public and the library provides complimentary beverages.

Marshall Libraries launches new Web site called 50 Years Ago Today: As Seen on WSAZ-TV News

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — The Marshall University Libraries today launched a new Web site called 50 Years Ago Today: As Seen on WSAZ-TV News at a news conference in the Special Collections Department of Morrow Library on MU's Huntington campus. The Web site is accessible at www.marshall.edu/50yearsago/.

"With the click of a mouse, 50 Years Ago Today: As Seen On WSAZ-TV News will allow viewers on the Internet to watch vintage film and video of local, state and national news that occurred 50 years ago on that exact date, as written and reported by the WSAZ-TV news staff of 50 years ago," said Barbara Winters, dean of University Libraries. Winters said 50 Years Ago Today: As Seen On WSAZ-TV News is a collaborative effort between WSAZ-TV and Marshall University, literally 32 years in the making.

"WSAZ-TV gifted Marshall with its film, video and paper archival materials beginning in 1976, and we gladly continue to be the repository and custodians of these priceless film and video images to this very day," Winters said. Winters said Andrew D. Earles, Technical and Content Supervisor for Special Collections, originated the concept for the 50 Years Ago Today project. Winters said Earles, who is in charge of digitizing the WSAZ news footage from fragile film and video to sturdy DVD, came up with the Web site idea the day before the 50th anniversary of the launch of Sputnik. "Andy mentioned to Special Collections Curator Lisle Brown that he and Media Technical

Assistant Lori Thompson had WSAZ news stories from the year 1958 already digitized and 'in the can,' " Winters said. "Andy's idea of putting it on the Internet for the entire community to 'tune in' and enjoy was a winner, and when Lisle passed along Andy's concept for the Web site to me, I heartily concurred." Winters said Libraries Web Services Librarian Floyd Csir worked with Earles, Information Technology Video Services Producer/Director Eric Himes, Information Technology's Daniel Saez and Brian Williams of Marshall's Center for Information Technology to arrive at ideas for a Special Collections "destination Web site" that would make the community history fun and accessible to Internet users. Saez served as the Web site's Conceptual Designer and Project Coordinator, with Williams providing the technical know-how and creative input as the site's Programmer and Art Director.

Seeking to give context to and complement the vintage news images that appear on the Web site, Marshall Libraries received permission from noted area author and media producer David E. Carter to showcase images from his 1999 book, "Friends We All Grew Up With: A Fifty Year History of WSAZ TV," published by London Books Ltd.

The film to digital media process at Special Collections

1. The WSAZ 16mm news film is run through a special projector that takes the light and images and converts both into digital data. The film runs in "real time," which is time

consuming but necessary for quality and clarity.

2. The digital data is then transferred onto a DVD, which has the capacity to hold two hours of film/video content. (NOTE: Two hours equals four newsreels equals between 15 and 30 clips)

3. The information on the DVD is then fed into a computer and run through an image editing program, which breaks each clip apart and assigns each its own appropriate clip number, and converts that information to Windows Media video for eventual streaming online. Representation of actual news scripts Scripts that appear in this presentation are scripts actually written by the news department and read on air by the on-air personality for that particular story. Once we film and video, clips are matched to their respective scripts whenever possible.

Selected scripts are retyped in a Microsoft Word document. Each individual script has its own file on the Marshall server, which relates to the appropriate clip.

For more information about Marshall University Libraries Special Collections in particular, contact curator Lisle Brown at (304) 696-2344 or visit www.marshall.edu/LIBRARY/speccoll/.

For more information about the Marshall University Libraries in general, contact Dean Barbara Winters at (304) 696-2318 or visit <http://www.marshall.edu/LIBRARY/>.



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PALINET LAUNCHES LEADERSHIP NETWORK

Philadelphia, PA, January 14, 2008 — PALINET announces the opening of the PALINET Leadership Network (PLN), an innovative online community of practice designed to help current and future library leaders communicate, coordinate, find resources, and share information. Features of PLN include articles and forums on cutting-edge library topics including funding, marketing, technology, and services. PLN can be accessed at <http://pln.palinet.org> and is now open for registrations.

Designed as a MediaWiki wiki platform to encourage an active user experience, the PALINET Leadership Network invites participants to share comments and views, encouraging collaboration and discussion on topics related to library leadership and leadership in general. Anyone may visit PLN to read articles and commentaries, but only users registered with a free account may contribute comments and post new articles. Developed in partnership with the Library Leadership Network (LLN), PLN is an ideal vehicle for staying current, as well as a critical tool for mentoring staff.

"PLN is open, not only to library directors, but also to innovation leaders, professional leaders, and thought leaders in the library community. PLN is not restricted to PALINET members or to the United States. In fact, we have already registered users from as far away as Australia," says Walt Crawford, PLN Director and Managing Editor. Crawford is an internationally recognized writer and speaker on libraries, technology, policy, and media.

Response to the PALINET Leadership Network from the library community has been enthusiastic. Over a hundred users have already registered. "The content here is superb and just what I am looking for," says Jeff Scott, Library Manager for Casa Grande Public Library, Casa Grande, AZ.

PALINET, a member-owned and governed regional library network, was founded in 1936 and is one of the largest U.S. networks, serving 600+ members throughout the Mid-Atlantic region and beyond. PALINET trains over 1,400 people annually through its classroom and online distance education events, provides discounts on hundreds of library services from 80+ business partners through its group purchasing program, and is the region's provider of OCLC services. For the latest information on PALINET, visit www.palinet.org.

Benefits

From the Front Page

- A network of support: The association strives to provide a support network for its members, so that members have easy access to resources, information, peers, and experts in the field of librarianship.

- Eligibility for scholarships & awards: Scholarships are given to help members obtain a Masters Degree in Library Science. Awards are given annually to individuals who make significant contributions to the library community.

- A forum for exchange of ideas & information: As a member you will have access to the expertise of hundreds of individuals working in the library field via conferences, workshops, publications, discussion lists, and informal interaction with other members.

- Opportunities for job seekers: Members can network with potential employers and explore employment opportunities at conferences, through online discussion lists, and through informal interaction with other members.

- Leadership opportunities: Members are encouraged serve on or chair roundtables, committees, and divisions within the association.

- Access to the larger library community: The association is an affiliate of the American Library Association, the largest library association in the world. In addition, some of the divisions are officially affiliated with other national library organizations.

- Advocacy: WVLA is active

in all areas of state legislation concerning libraries, and employs a lobbyist to ensure that library issues are adequately addressed at the state level.

Organization

- The membership of the West Virginia Library Association (WVLA) is comprised of over 700 members ranging from librarians and paraprofessionals to trustees and friends.

- WVLA is organized into six divisions: College & University, Friends, Public, Schools, Special and Trustees. In addition to divisions, members may join roundtables and be appointed to the many committees that further the work of the association.

- WVLA is governed by a constitution and bylaws.

- The Executive Board consists of the following officers: President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. Other members of the Executive Board are: Immediate Past-President, ALA Councilor, Division Chairs and Roundtable Representative. Additional non-voting members of the Executive Board include Executive Secretary of the West Virginia Library Commission, Supervisor of School Library Services of the West Virginia Department of Education, Federal Relations Coordinator, Southeastern Library Association (SELA) Representative, and the Editor of West Virginia Libraries.



WVLA

Membership Registration

West Virginia Library Association

Check One: ☐ New Member ☐ Renewal
Membership dues for Dec. 1, 2007 through Nov. 30, 2008.

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Members will be added to WVLA's e-mail list.

Membership Divisions:

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| <input type="radio"/> Government Documents | <input type="radio"/> Technical Services |
| | <input type="radio"/> West Virginia Literature |

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Dues Schedule:

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Trustees	\$20
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Life-Time Member	\$400
Library Personnel with Annual Salary of:	
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\$10,000 to 14,999	\$20
\$15,000 to 19,999	\$25
\$20,000 to 24,999	\$30
\$25,000 to 29,999	\$35
\$30,000 to 34,999	\$40
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Membership includes a subscription to "West Virginia Libraries," all general mailings of the Association, and the right to vote. In order to retain voting privileges, return membership forms and dues by May 15, 2008.

Events

FEBRUARY

Library Lover's Month

- 15 Deadline for articles for publication in March issue of WV Libraries

MARCH

- 2 Read Across America
(www.nea.org/readacross/)
7 WVLA Executive Board Meeting, 10 a.m.
WV Evansdale Library
8 West Virginia Legislature Adjourns

APRIL

- 3-4 WVLA Spring Fling
Days Inn, Flatwoods

- 15 Deadline for publication in May issue of WV Libraries
13-19 National Library Week
(www.ala.org/ala/pio/natlibraryweek/nlw.htm)
16 National Library Workers Day
21-27 TV Turnoff Week (www.tvturnoff.org)

MAY

- 12-18 Children's Book Week
(<http://www.cbcbooks.org/cbw>)
13-14 ALA Legislative Days,
Washington, D.C.
15 Deadline for membership renewal for WVLA for 2008

NOTE: The dates for the West Virginia Library Commission are tentative. Please check with the WVLC web site for the exact date, time, agenda and minutes at www.librarycommission.lib.wv.us.

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A note from the editor

West Virginia Libraries

welcomes suggestions for articles from librarians, support staff, trustees and friends.

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